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Mr. William Casey  
Director  
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Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Bill,

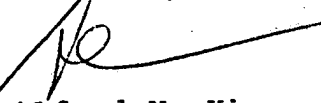
An overdue note to tell you how much I appreciate the good work of the Agency when I have called on them. First, my weekly briefings [redacted] have been excellent and have been escalated to two times a week. Whenever I have had specific problems, I have called in the people at the agency relevant to decision-making and have unfailingly found them helpful, insightful and responsive. I have met with some French experts, the Romanian team prior to the Secretary's and my trip, the Saudia Arabia people, and the Global Issues team.

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It's been one of the happy surprises to find the consistent, high quality of the work that the CIA has done. I have far better appreciation now of not only what the agency does, but the potential that exists to make it even better. I thought you would like to know how at least one customer feels.

As usual, best personal regards.

Sincerely,

  
Alfred H. Kingon



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